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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 4965-000173/CO  
First Inventor Horst Siefertmann et al.  
Title Pneumatic Spring Pot And Method For Producing Same  
Express Mail Label No. EV 406 075 802 US (1/16/2004)

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification {Total Pages  }  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the Invention ☒ Specification filed in English
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C.113) {Total Sheets  }
5. Oath or Declaration {Total Pages  }
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  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for a continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
  - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure ☒ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
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(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Request and Non Publication under 35 U.S.C. 122  
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Prior application information: Examiner \_\_\_\_\_ Group / Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL  
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| Application Number   | To Be Assigned          |
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| First Named Inventor | Horst Siefermann et al. |
| Examiner Name        |                         |
| Art Unit             |                         |
| Attorney Docket No.  | 4965-000173/CO          |

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| Large Entity        |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description        | Fee Paid        |
|---------------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Fee Code            | Fee (\$) | Fee Code     | Fee (\$) |                        |                 |
| 1001                | 770      | 2001         | 385      | Utility filing fee     | 770             |
| 1002                | 340      | 2002         | 170      | Design filing fee      |                 |
| 1003                | 530      | 2003         | 265      | Plant filing fee       |                 |
| 1004                | 770      | 2004         | 385      | Reissue filing fee     |                 |
| 1005                | 160      | 2005         | 80       | Provisional filing fee |                 |
| <b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b> |          |              |          |                        | <b>(\$ 770)</b> |

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

|                    |   |        |   |   |   |                |   |   |
|--------------------|---|--------|---|---|---|----------------|---|---|
| Total Claims       | 9 | -20 ** | = | 0 | X | Fee from below | = | 0 |
| Independent Claims | 2 | -3 **  | = | 0 | X | Fee from below | = | 0 |
| Multiple Dependent |   |        |   |   | X | Fee from below | = | 0 |

| Large Entity        |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description  | Fee Paid      |
|---------------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|---------------|
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| 1202                | 18       | 2202         | 9        | Claims in excess of 20                                     |               |
| 1201                | 86       | 2201         | 43       | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |               |
| 1203                | 290      | 2203         | 145      | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |               |
| 1204                | 86       | 2204         | 43       | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |               |
| 1205                | 18       | 2205         | 9        | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |               |
| <b>SUBTOTAL (2)</b> |          |              |          |  | <b>(\$ 0)</b> |

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**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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| 1051         | 130      | 2051         | 65       | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  |          |
| 1052         | 50       | 2052         | 25       | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.                    |          |
| 1053         | 130      | 1053         | 130      | Non-English specification  |          |
| 1812         | 2,520    | 1812         | 2,520    | For filing a request for reexamination                                     |          |
| 1804         | 920*     | 1804         | 920*     | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 1805         | 1,840*   | 1805         | 1,840*   | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 1251         | 110      | 2251         | 55       | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 1252         | 420      | 2252         | 210      | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 1253         | 950      | 2253         | 475      | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 1254         | 1,480    | 2254         | 740      | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 1255         | 2,010    | 2255         | 1,005    | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 1401         | 330      | 2401         | 165      | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 1402         | 330      | 2402         | 165      | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 1403         | 290      | 2403         | 145      | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 1451         | 1,510    | 1451         | 1,510    | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 1452         | 110      | 2452         | 55       | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 1453         | 1,330    | 2453         | 665      | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 1501         | 1,330    | 2501         | 665      | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 1502         | 480      | 2502         | 240      | Design issue fee   |          |
| 1503         | 640      | 2503         | 320      | Plant issue fee  |          |
| 1460         | 130      | 1460         | 130      | Petitions to the Commissioner  |          |
| 1807         | 50       | 1807         | 50       | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)                                       |          |
| 1806         | 180      | 1806         | 180      | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 8021         | 40       | 8021         | 40       | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 1809         | 770      | 2809         | 385      | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              |          |
| 1810         | 770      | 2810         | 385      | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))           |          |
| 1801         | 770      | 2801         | 385      | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |          |
| 1802         | 900      | 1802         | 900      | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

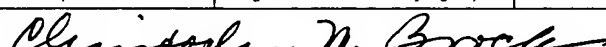
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